

town site of Bowdoin, Montana, whether sold or unsold, and to issue patent, if not already issued, in those cases where the amount paid is in excess of the value appraised thereunder. In cases where the amount paid is not equal to the new appraisement the purchaser may receive patent upon making payment in accordance with the new appraisal, either in cash or by installments, in conformity with the terms of existing law. Lots not heretofore sold likewise may be sold at the new appraised value in accordance with existing law.

Approved, January 7, 1925.

Issue of patents to purchasers, etc.

**CHAP. 38.**—Joint Resolution Providing for the procurement of a design for the use of grounds in the vicinity of the Mall by the United States Botanic Garden.

January 7, 1925.  
[H. J. Res. 257.]  
[Pub. Res., No. 42.]

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Joint Committee on the Library is hereby authorized and directed to investigate and report to Congress, with estimate of cost as to a new location for the conservatories of the United States Botanic Garden, south of the Mall in the vicinity of the present location, and also as to a suitable landscape plan in connection therewith: *Provided*, That in the preparation of such a report the committee is hereby authorized to procure advice and assistance from any existing governmental agency, including the services of engineers, surveyors, draftsmen, landscape architects, and other technical personnel in the executive departments and independent establishments of the Government.

Botanic Garden, D. C.  
Investigation, etc., of new location for conservatories south of.

*Provido.*  
Assistance from technical, etc., personnel of governmental agencies.

**SEC. 2.** For the purpose of this Act the sum of \$5,000 is hereby authorized to be appropriated from any available money or money that may become available in the Treasury of the United States.

Amount authorized.  
Post, p. 1297.

Approved, January 7, 1925.

**CHAP. 57.**—An Act To authorize the Court of Appeals for the First Circuit to hold sitting at San Juan, Porto Rico.

January 8, 1925.  
[H. R. 704.]  
[Public, No. 311.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Court of Appeals for the First Circuit shall, when in its judgment the public interests require, hold a sitting of such court at San Juan, Porto Rico.

United States courts.  
First Circuit Court of Appeals to hold sittings at San Juan, Porto Rico.

Approved, January 8, 1925.

**CHAP. 58.**—An Act Authorizing the Ponca Tribe of Indians residing in the States of Oklahoma and Nebraska to submit claims to the Court of Claims.

January 9, 1925.  
[H. R. 4275.]  
[Public, No. 312.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That all claims of whatsoever nature, both legal and equitable, which the Ponca Tribe of Indians residing in the States of Oklahoma and Nebraska may have against the United States, including among other things, claims for moneys due the Ponca Tribe but allowed or paid to some other tribe or tribes of Indians, shall be submitted to the Court of Claims, with the right of appeal by either party to the Supreme Court of the United States for determination; and jurisdiction is hereby conferred upon the Court of Claims to hear and determine any and all such claims and render final judgment thereon.

Ponca Indians, Okla. and Nebr.  
Claims of, against United States to be submitted to Court of Claims.

Jurisdiction conferred.